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STATE TAX EXTENSIONS EXPIRE MONDAY, AUGUST 22, 2005

HONOLULU—It's almost August 22nd. Do you know where your Hawaii individual income tax return is? If the answer is "not finished," there's good news – really good news, according to Kurt Kawafuchi, Director of Taxation.

You have an automatic extension until close of business, Monday, August 22nd to file your Hawaii individual income tax return. All you have to do is be sure your return is E-filed, postmarked, or delivered to any Department of Taxation office by Monday and pay any balance due with the return.

What if "not finished" means later than August 22nd? You can ask for more time, until October 20th, but there are some strings attached. To request an additional extension, you must do the following things by August 22nd:

- (1) File a request for an additional extension (Hawaii Form N-101B).
- (2) State on Form N-101B why you need an additional extension, and sign the form.
- (3) Pay any additional amount needed to equal at least 90% of the total tax due on the return.

The third condition is critical, Director Kawafuchi emphasized, because without at least 90% paid, you have not applied for an additional extension.

STATE TAX RETURNS DUE WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20, 2005

Extensions and other selected forms can be e-filed via the Internet through the State's Internet portal at

www.ehawaiigov.org/efile. Payments can be made online with an electronic check for a nominal fee of

\$2.50 or, for an additional fee, with a credit card.

State tax forms and information are available at any district tax office during business hours, and also on

the Department's website at www.state.hi.us/tax.

For information and assistance, taxpayers may call the Department's Taxpayer Services Branch on O'ahu

at 587-4242, or toll-free from the neighbor islands and continental U.S. at 1-800-222-3229. If calling from

a touchtone telephone, callers may access automated information at any time, even after-hours, on topics

including the Department's addresses and the status of individual income tax refunds.

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